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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7298**

**BILL NUMBER:** SB 582

**NOTE PREPARED:** Jan 5, 2009

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** School Corporation Governing Bodies.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Sen. Mishler

**BILL STATUS:** As Introduced

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**FUNDS AFFECTED:**     **GENERAL**  
                              **DEDICATED**  
                              **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** Local

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill allows a change in a school board plan to be initiated by the filing of a petition signed by at least 10% of the voters of the school corporation with the clerk of the circuit court. (Under current law, a petition initiating a change in a school board plan must be signed by at least 20% of the voters of the school corporation.)

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2009.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** The bill would make it easier for school boards to make changes in the school board plan. The impact is probably minor.

**Background:** A plan or proposed plan must contain the following items:

1. The number of members of the governing body, which shall be:
  - a. three (3);
  - b. five (5); or
  - c. seven (7);members.
2. Whether the governing board shall be elected or appointed.
3. If appointed, when and by whom, and a general description of the manner of appointment that

- conforms with the requirements of IC 20-23-4-28.
4. If elected, whether the election shall be at the primary or at the general election that county officials are nominated or elected, and a general description of the manner of election that conforms with the requirements of IC 20-23-4-27.
  5. The limitations on:
    - a. residence;
    - b. term of office; and
    - c. other qualifications;
    - d. required by members of the governing body.
  6. The time the plan takes effect.

A plan or proposed plan may have additional details to make the provisions of the plan workable. The details may include provisions relating to the commencement or length of terms of office of the members of the governing body taking office under the plan.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:**

**Local Agencies Affected:** Local schools.

**Information Sources:**

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